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EVIL ERNIE has lost his love LADY DEATH. Without her, undead has no meaning. In hopes of bringing about Megadeth - the extinction of all life on the Planet - and thereby enabling Lady Death's return, he decides to cleanse the Planet with nuclear fire! Meanwhile, Chastity has a crush on Evil and has joined up with him. The AMERICAN RESTORATION ALLIANCE, a military/political group has questionable intentions that involve Atlanta's Centers for Disease Control, which happens to be where the maniacal undead surgeon AUTOPSY has set up camp. Mary and Billy Young seek out their long lost sibling Judy.

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THE PSYCHOTIC STATES OF AMERICA. A GHOULISH TERRORSCAPE WHERE 95 MILLION UNDEAD GHOULS ROAM IN SEARCH OF MAYHEM.

AND ALL BECAUSE OF THE DRIVER OF THIS AUTO, HE IS NAMED EVIL ERNIE AND HE'S HELL BENT ON STARTING WORLD WAR THREE!

WHERE ARE WE, EVIL?

CLOSER TO NUKES.

and rock'n'roll makes it happens --

SHUT UP, BUTTON!

HEY!
DON'T BE SUCH A BAD ASS. SMILEY'S CUTE.

DON'T LIKE SINGING.

since when?

Man! I love this chick Chastity! Makes my crossbones quiver.

NO.

I'M HUNGRY. GOT ANY SUGGESTIONS?

IF I DON'T CHOW, I'M GONNA BE A BITCH.

me! me! take a bite!

CHICKS.

YOU'VE GOT AN ENTIRE WORLD TO DESTROY. BUT HOW ABOUT NOT TRASHING MY CAR -- AT LEAST UNTIL WE GET TO ATLANTA?

MEGADETH!

THE NORTH
GEORGIA MOUNTAINS.

HIS NAME IS SAM GUNHILL. AS
A CHILD AND A TEENAGER, HE
KNEW THESE HILLS AND
WOODS LIKE OLD FRIENDS.
THEN HIS FAMILY MOVED WEST.

HE'S BEEN BACK
ALMOST A YEAR.
NOTHING'S CHANGED.

EXCEPT THE DEAD.
THE DEAD LIVE.

SAM!

LOOK OUT!
BEHIND
YOU!

I SAID
LOOK OUT!





LUNC --!
GURGLE



YOU
OKAY,
JUDY?

ME? THE
HAG NEARLY
GOT YOU,
GUNHILL.
WAKE
UP. WE'VE
GOT A LOT
TO DO.



DON'T
MOVE.

DON'T
POINT THAT
THING AT
ME!
WOOAH!



DAMN!



WET YOUR
PANTIES?

&%*# YOU,
SAM.

I DON'T TAKE
KINDLY TO BOSSES,
JUDE -- EVEN YOU.

GOT IT.
LET'S MOVE OUT.



NORTH GEORGIA MOUNTAINS. JUST OUTSIDE THE TOWN OF HELEN. LATER...

SAM GUNHILL AND JUDY YOUNG. TO THE LOCAL SURVIVORS, THEY'RE LIVING LEGENDS.

LET'S LOAD UP FAST IN HELEN. I WANT TO REPAIR THE DIRT BIKES BEFORE DAWN.

DO YOU SMELL -- SMOKE!





HELEN, GEORGIA.

THIRTY YEARS AGO IT WAS A DYING MILL TOWN ONE HUNDRED MILES NORTH OF ATLANTA.

UNTIL THEY TURNED IT INTO LITTLE BAVARIA AND A TOURIST TRAP.

TOURISM'S DEAD. THE BEER RAN OUT A YEAR AGO.



BUT THE SURVIVORS OF HELEN ARE A HARDY LOT.

THEY'VE FOUGHT THE UNDEAD AND WON. KEPT THEIR LAND SAFE



THEY... THEY CAME OUT OF THE SKY... SHOT DADDY DEAD.

MOM! WHERE'S MOMMY?!



UNTIL TODAY.



WHO ARE THEY?

SOLDIERS. LIVING. NOT DEAD --

SAM!



DIE, MAN!

BLAM

**BLAM
BLAM**

HELP... M --



DAMN!
ARA AMERICAN
RESTORATION
ALLIANCE!



THE ARA, A SYMBOL
STEEPED IN BLOOD
AND...



...PAIN.

THE ARIZONA DESERT,
18 MONTHS AGO.

YOU'VE GOT
TWO CHOICES:
JOIN THE NEW WORLD
ORDER, JOIN THE
ARA -- OR DIE!

SAM?

SAM. SAM!
HE'S DEAD. DON'T
WASTE THE
AMMO.

BLAM
BLAM



BLAM
BLAM
BLAM



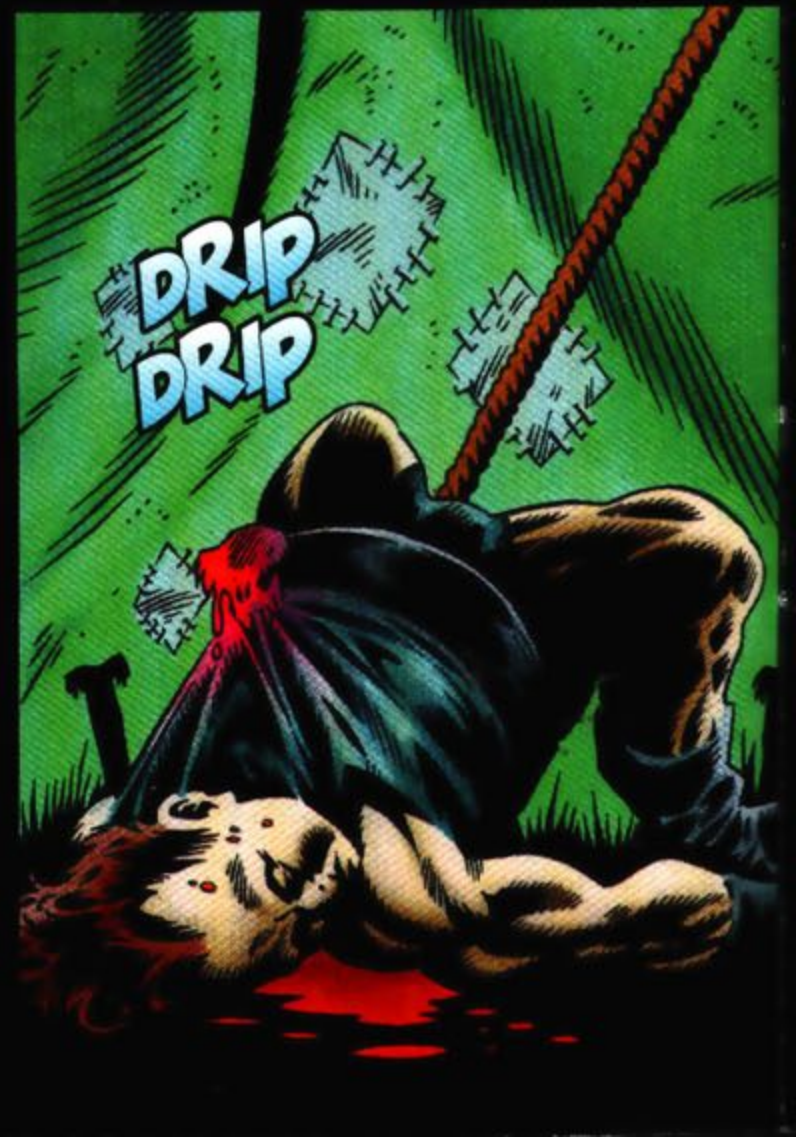




HIS
HEARTBEAT'S
SO STRONG! HIS
BLOOD ROARING
THROUGH HIS
VEINS!

Mmmmm.







EMPLOYING HIS ABILITY TO TELEPATHICALLY CONTROL THE DEAD, EVIL COMMANDS --



THINK WE CAN'T BREAK YOU? WE CAN -- AND WILL.

THIS IS YOUR LAST CHANCE. EITHER SERVE YOUR COUNTRY OR DIE!

*%# YOU TRUMAN!

THEY'RE MEMBERS OF THE ARA.

BUNCH OF NEO-FACIST PARAMILITARY FREAKS WHO CALL 'EMSELVES THE AMERICAN RESTORATION ALLIANCE

YOU GOT A BONE TO PICK WITH THESE GUYS?

GUN... GUNHILL? *Koff*

McLAUGHLIN? SO YOU ROLLED OVER AND JOINED?

WHY, MAC? WHY HERE? WE'RE NOT THE THREAT.

MISSION... NEUTRALIZE NUKES *Koff*

...TEST DEAD MEAT TRACKIN -- *Koff! GURGLE*

WHAT NUKES?

WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?

IT'S MARTIAL LAW IN THE WEST. DIVISIONS OF THE MILITARY ARE JOCKEYING FOR POSITION, READYING FOR A NEW GOVERNMENT.

NUKES? THERE'RE NO NUKES IN GEORGIA.

HOW COME --

I KNOW 'EM. THEY TRIED TO ENLIST ME. LONG STORY.

WHAT'S THIS THING?

WHERE THE HELL WERE YOU?!

TAKING CARE OF THE POLK FAMILY. SORRY TO SAY, THEY WENT DEAD.

WHAT HAPPENED TO HELEN, MAYOR?



THERE WAS AN EXPLOSION. NEXT THING, THIS CHOPPER COMES OUTTA NOWHERE AN' STARTS SHOOTIN' UP THE TOWN.



WHAT DOES THE ARA WANT WITH THE EAST?



OLE HOLLIS BROUGHT THE DAMN THING DOWN WIT' ONE O' HIS HOME-MADE BAZOOKAS. BUT NOT BEFORE THEY DESTROYED MY TOWN, THE BASTIDS.



WHAT THE HELL'S GOIN' ON?

THE ARA CONSIDER THE EAST INFECTED --A CANCER TO BE CUT OUTTA THE BODY OF THE GOOD OLE U.S.A. AND HELL, THEY GOTTA LOTTA SUPPORT. ANY ONE IN THEIR RIGHT MIND WOULD WANTA TRASH THIS PLACE.

THEY'RE THE SURGEON GENERAL. WE'RE THE PATIENTS. LOOKS LIKE THE DOCTOR'S STARTED MAKING HOUSE CALLS.



BUT I DON'T THINK THEY CARE IF THE PATIENT LIVES.

THIS WAS A DRY RUN. THESE GUYS ARE CAPABLE OF ANYTHING AND GOT THE FIREPOWER TO BACK IT UP... I BET THEY'RE GONNA TAKE US OUT. SCORCHED EARTH.



WHAT'S THE BOTTOM LINE?!

YOU SERIOUS?!

HOW? I MEAN, WHEN DID THIS ARA START UP?

THE ARA BEGAN WITH A GROUP OF HARD-LINE REPUBLICANS IN THE WEST, BUT THE ARA TOOK SHAPE IN...

"...ARIZONA."

THE HQ OF THE AMERICAN RESTORATION ALLIANCE, FOUR CORNERS, ARIZONA...

"THEIR HEAD HONCHO IS AN EX-ARMY FREAK NAMED CYRUS..."

TRUMAN? MINISTER?

WHAT IS IT, CARVER?

BIOREC ONE WAS LOST OVER THE NORTH GEORGIA MOUNTAINS.

A BUNCH OF REDNECKS TOOK OUT A \$250 MILLION STEALTH CHOPPER?!

WE DON'T KNOW, SIR. INTELLIGENCE --

NO MATTER. OMEGA TEAM ARE ON STAND-BY AND READY TO TAKE WING. THIS ONLY AIDS OUR PLANS.

RAMSEY'S HURTING, I ASSUME?

Oh, OUR DEAR PATSY RAMSEY SHOULD BE SWEATING BLOOD AND TEARS BY NOW.

GOOD, HIS ARROGANCE IS MATCHED ONLY BY --

YOUR EGO, CARVER.



THANK YOU, SIR.

STATUS ON FAIRCHILD AND THE DEAD MEAT AGENDA?

...SOLVED! DRINK UP, Mr. CARVER. WE ARE GOING TO BE HEROES.

ONCE WE EXECUTE RAMSEY FOR TREASON, THE UP-COMING ELECTION IS OURS.

CIGAR? THERE'S BRANDY IN THE CABINET.

WITHIN THE WEEK WE'LL HAVE ENOUGH BIOLOGICAL WEAPONS TO CLEANSE THE EAST COAST AND HAVE THE PUBLIC SUPPORT TO TAKE OUT EVERYTHING FROM MAINE TO FLORIDA. PROBLEM...



INTERSTATE 75, THE
SOUTH CAROLINA/
GEORGIA BORDER.

BILLY!
LOOK
OUT!

I
SEE
IT!



SKRRREEE

I'VE
GOT YOUR
BACK.



GOOD.

PROBABLY
PEOPLE
BEHIND
THERE...

AND I'VE
GOT YOUR BACK --
NOW PUT THE GUN
DOWN REAL SLOW,
SLICK.



HEY,
WHAT'S
TH --

WHO'RE
YOU, AN'
WHAT YOU
DOIN' HERE?

NONE
OF YOUR
GODDAMN
BUSINESS!



BILLY!

JUST
PASSING
THROUGH.
SEARCHING
FOR OUR SISTER.
JUDY, JUDY
YOUNG. HEARD
OF HER?

YOUNG?!
YOU JUDY
YOUNG'S
KIN?



WELL
I'LL BE --
YEP, YOU
GOT THE
SAME EYES.

OOH!
YOU
KNOW
JUDY?!
SHE'S
ALIVE?!



HELL,
YEAH! EVERY-
BODY 'ROUND
THESE PARTS
KNOW JUDY
AN' SAM!



GET THIS #\$\$%@IN' THING OFFA MY HEAD!

SAM?

SAMN GUNHILL. HE AN' JUDE'RE A REGULAR TWO MAN ARMY. **HEROES** KEEP THIS AREA SAFE FOR DECENT FOLK.

SHE'S **ALIVE!**? WHEN --

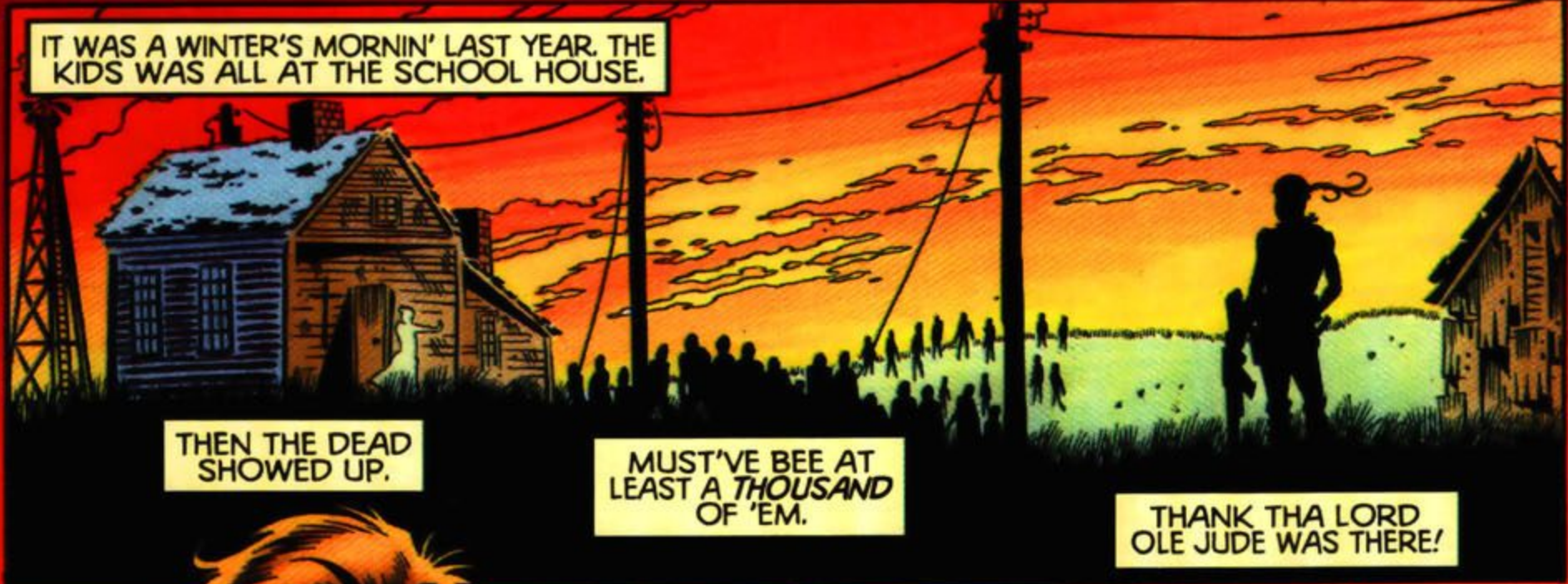
SHE WAS, 'COUPLE O' WEEKS BACK.

DON'T SWEAR IN MY HOUSE, BOY.

REID, ROBBIE -- UNTIE 'EM.

IF IT WEREN'T FER JUDE, JUNIOR -- RYAN -- HERE WOULDN'T BE WITH US...

MARY YOUNG... JUDY TOLD ME SHE HAS A SISTER.



IT WAS A WINTER'S MORNIN' LAST YEAR. THE KIDS WAS ALL AT THE SCHOOL HOUSE.

THEN THE DEAD SHOWED UP.

MUST'VE BEE AT LEAST A **THOUSAND** OF 'EM.

THANK THA LORD OLE JUDE WAS THERE!



SHE TOOK 'EM ALL ON **SINGLE HANDED**.

CUT 'EM DOWN LIKE SO MUCH DEAD WOOD. SLICED RIGHT THROUGH 'EM.

BUT THEY KEPT COMIN' AN' **COMIN'** AND SOME OF THOSE DEAD THINGS MADE IT INSIDE THE SCHOOL HOUSE. WHERE RYAN WAS...



BUT OLE JUDE. SHE KEPT
COMIN' TOO. WITH GUN. WITH
KNIFE. SHE WAS UNSTOPPABLE.



SHE JUST DIDN'T QUIT 'TILL
EVERY LAST ONE OF THEM
THINGS WAS *TRULY DEAD*.



AMAZIN' GAL!



I'M PAPA
MORGAN, AN' THIS HERE'S MY
WIFE AN' SONS,
REID, ROBBIE, AND
RYAN. BUT CALL
ME "CAPTAIN" --
EVERYONE ELSE
DOES.

Y' ALL
LOOK
STARVED.
I'LL FIX US
SOME
FOOD.

HEY
THERE!
MAN!
JUDY'S
KIN!

YER
SISTER'S
THE
BEST!

HEY.

A MOTEL
OUTSIDE
AKRON,
OHIO.





ATLANTA, WHAT WAS ONCE EMORY UNIVERSITY MEDICAL CENTER, NOW THE HOME OF DOCTOR EDWARD PAINÉ. HE PREFERS THE NAME **AUTOPSY.**

THE DEPARTMENT OF NEUROSURGERY. THE DOCTOR IS IN-- **INSANE!**

FOR CAPTAIN JAMES GARRIS OF THE ARA, THIS WAS SUPPOSED TO BE A STRAIGHT-FORWARD MISSION:

TO ENTER THE CENTER FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND REMOVE A NUMBER OF HOT ZONE VIRUSES, INCLUDING EBOLA. AND THEN RETURN TO THE ARA BASE IN BATON ROUGE.

FIRST HIS STEALTH CHOPPER WENT DOWN ON THE OUTSKIRTS OF THE CITY -- AN OBVIOUS ACT OF SABOTAGE.

NOW THIS!

THE RESPONSE OF A HEALTHY MIND TO A SICK SOCIETY IS INSANITY, AND YOU ARE FAR TOO "NORMAL" AND CONTROLLED. THEREFORE, YOU ARE **SICK**, AND MUST BE **CURED!**

SCREW YOU, FREAK!

DOCTOR FAKIR, PREPARE THE PATIENT FOR SURGERY.

YES, DOCTOR. BONESAW OR PROBE?

BOTH.

LET ME GO IN, PLEASE? I WANT TO PLAY WITH HIS FRONTAL LOBES.

YOU'RE NOT QUALIFIED.

OPEN AND UP AND SAY-- **AAAAGHH!** HA HA!

CAPTAIN JAMES M. GARRIS. I'M CAPTAIN OF THE AMERICAN RESTORATION ALLIANCE. SERIAL NUMBER 2892-500-873.

DON'T BE PEDANTIC.

FAKIR -- GIVE ME THE BONESAW.

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G EORGIA, JUST BEFORE DAWN.

JOINED BY HIS **CARNIVAL OF THE DAMNED**, EVIL ERNIE DESCENDS UPON ATLANTA, GEORGIA IN SEARCH OF A MAN WHO HOLDS THE KEY TO HIS FUTURE.

AS HIS POWER HAS GROWN, SO HAS EVIL'S ABILITY TO CONNECT WITH THE THOUGHTS OF HIS DEAD ONEZ.

LIKE A COLONY OF ANTS, THEY FUNCTION AS ONE ORGANISM. ERNIE IS THE CONSCIOUSNESS WHICH CONTROLS THE DEAD MIND.

IT'S ALMOST SUNRISE. I BETTER GET UNDER COVER.

EVIL?

YEAH.

WHAT IS IT? YOU LOOK DISTRACTED.

AND THAT TELEPATHIC LINK HAS EXPANDED FAR BEYOND HIS IMMEDIATE SURROUNDINGS.

HE CAN LITERALLY REACH OUT AND TOUCH SOMEBODY...

QUIET, GIRLIE. I CAN FEEL--

ATLANTA, CENTENNIAL OLYMPIC PARK.

...LIKE A HAM RADIO OPERATOR SURFING FREQUENCIES...

...UNTIL HE TUNES IN...





I'VE
FOUND
HIM!

NUKES
GUY!
YEAH!

TODAY --
ATLANTA
DIES!

And then
the world. Ha
Ha Ha!

Wagons
roll, boss!

SIGH
HE'S SO
TALENTED!

NEXT:

PSYCHOCANDY



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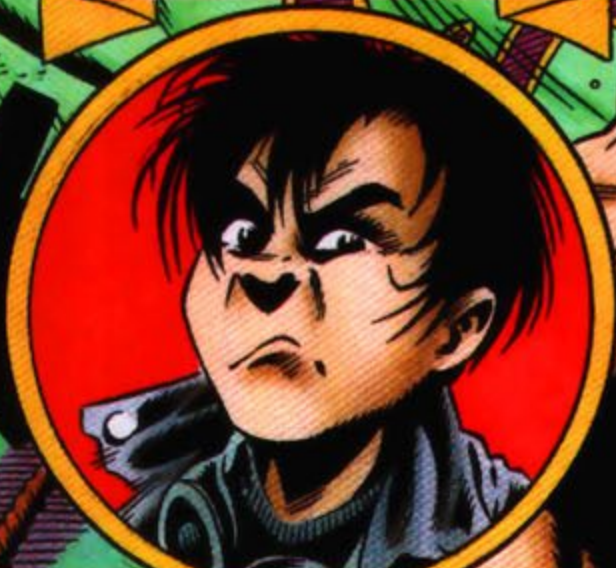
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